

Fall Announcement.

J. R. RACE & CO.

Are displaying the largest and most complete stock of

CLOTHING

Gents' Fine Furnishing Goods

IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department

CANNOT BE SURPASSED.

MR. R. MITCHELL,

THE LEADING HATTERS,

Remember our Free Gift Enterprise.

We are ready to quote you prices to meet any and all competition.

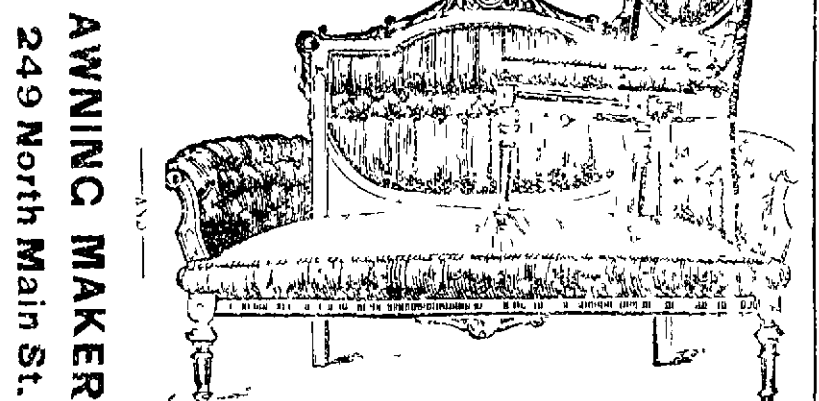
A call from you will prove mutually beneficial. No trouble to show goods.

J. R. RACE & CO.,

129 to 135 Water Street.

Remember our Free Gift Enterprise.

C. P. HART, UPHOLSTERER,



I have the largest assortment of Upholstering goods in the city, all kinds of goods for making mattresses, and machinery for making old ones over. Old furniture made over in any style desired, and all kinds of furniture repaired.

J. W. BARBER,

FURNITURE EXCHANGE,

STOVES---CAPITAL OAK HEATERS. BALTIC OAK HEATERS.

"FAVORITE" COOK STOVES.

FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS,

Special Bargains

DECATUR'S NEW CARPET FACTORY,

RAG AND CHAIN CARPET.

MARTIN LEIPPE,

SPRING FEVER

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

THE BEST TONIC

Water St. Front.

FOUR LOTS

WARREN & DUFFEE.

From Pole to Pole

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

New Goods!

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FLEURY'S,

The French Cutter,

FASHIONABLE

Merchant Tailor,

158 MERCHANT ST. DECATUR

ELLY'S CREAM BALM

CATARRH

"CANDEE"

Rubber

BOOTS

DOUBLE THICK

FOR SALE BY

L. L. FERRISS & CO.,

Western Agents,

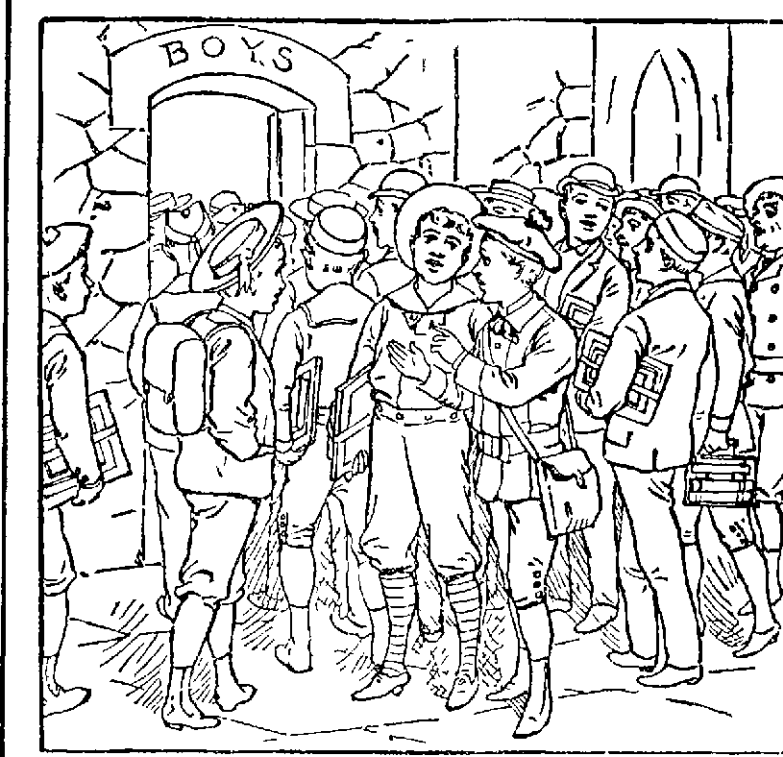
DECATUR ILLINOIS.

May 26-4th

THE SEED BUSINESS.

How it is Conducted in the United States.

Although farmers are deeply interested in the seed and plant business, yet they know very little about the way in which it is carried on. At times there are complaints made by farmers and gardeners who are disappointed in their seeds, and for want of knowing how the business is conducted blame may easily be cast upon innocent parties or indeed may attach to the purchaser himself instead of to the seller or grower of the seeds. In running over a list of the seed-men in the United States and Canada we find about one thousand and five hundred who are recognized as regular dealers in a mercantile sense that is they make a special business of selling seeds. Of these about one hundred are growers of seeds as well as purchasers and sell their produce put in the hands of the seed-men who make a special business of growing on contract for them other seeds. Some few of these seed-men are large importers, one of them alone often purchasing in one year as much as forty thousand dollars worth of seed. The business of seed is a necessary part of the business of the farmer and the seed-men which thrive best and produce better seed in certain climates as for instance, cold and wet climates in England, and hot and dry climates in Germany, Italy, Spain, France, and Southern United States. In the United States the seed business is carried on in a very different manner. The seed-men who are engaged in the business of growing seeds on contract for others are very few in number. The seed-men who are engaged in the business of growing seeds on contract for others are very few in number. The seed-men who are engaged in the business of growing seeds on contract for others are very few in number.



SCHOOL BEGINS SEPT. 7th.

Bring the Boys to B. STINE'S Clothing House,

The New Suits are Ready.

REMEMBER

We carry the largest assortment of Boys' Clothing in the city.

THE LATEST STYLES, THE BEST FITTING,

Very Lowest Rock-Bottom Prices.

Large assortment of Boys' School Pants just received.

—B. STINE—

THE RELIABLE AND RESPONSIBLE CLOTHIER.

WE ARE READY.

We beg to inform the public that our fall and winter purchases are now complete and ready for inspection. Our stock embraces the best fabrics that are produced, while our assortment is complete and perfect in every department. We make a magnificent display of Foreign and Domestic

DRESS GOODS,

WINTER WRAPS,

UNDERWEAR, VELVETS, JERSEYS, FLANNELS, BLANKETS, CORSETS, YARNS, KNIT AND CROCHET GOODS, GLOVES, &c., &c.

Examine our stock, get our prices, and compare both with those of our neighbors.

BIG 18 CHEAP STORE.

Merchant Street.

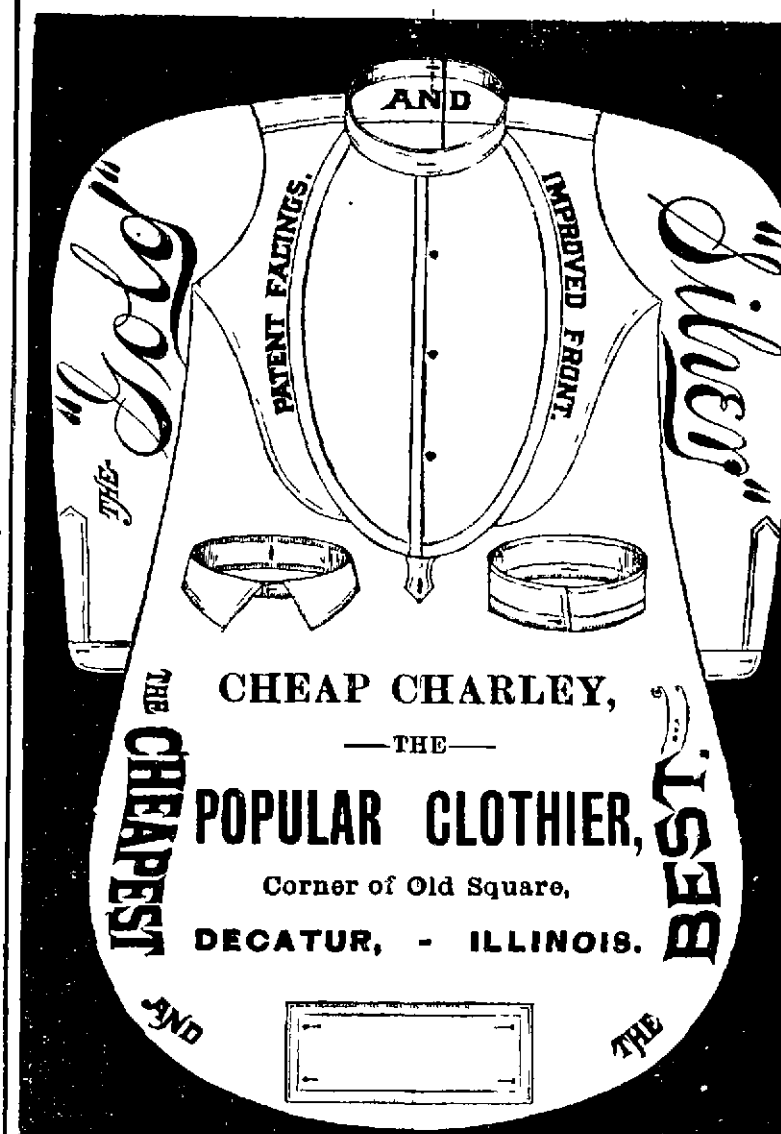
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